



# Crop Progress and Condition



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## Cooler Temperatures Brought a Taste of Autumn to Idaho

There were 6.1 days suitable last week for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were 5% very poor, 35% poor, 48% fair, and 12% good. A low temperature of 31 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the eastern and south central regions. A high temperature of 99 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the eastern region. The statewide temperature differential ranged from 2 to 8 degrees Fahrenheit below normal. The first taste of fall arrived in Idaho and all four regions reported some precipitation. Some minor frost was reported in the Teton County. Several locations reported low temperatures below 32 degrees in both eastern and south central Idaho. Beans were cut near Twins Falls. Some corn for silage harvest started in neighboring Gooding County. Statewide, some potatoes were harvested; however, most of the 2018 crop was still in the ground. Northern Idaho welcomed the rain and cooler temperatures. While the weather slowed the garbanzo bean harvest, most pastures started to rebound.

## Milder Temperatures Eased Some of the Drought Stress in Oregon

There were 6.9 days suitable for fieldwork. Pasture and range conditions were 46% very poor, 27% poor, 24% fair, and 3% good. A low temperature was reported at 28 degrees Fahrenheit in the south central region, and a high temperature was reported at 93 degrees Fahrenheit in southwestern valleys of Oregon. The statewide temperature differential ranged from 8 degrees below normal to 2 degrees above normal. Lack of moisture kept pasture conditions and soil moisture content indications at or near the lows of the 2018 reporting year. Forage availability remained low for grazing throughout the state of Oregon. Ground tillage continued for fall planted crops in Lane County. Silage corn harvest also started this past week. Hazelnut orchard floor maintenance was completed. The continued dry weather has not stopped grass seed plantings. Annual ryegrass for seed was planted in Polk County. Lower temperature eased the stress on most crops in Columbia and Washington Counties. Better conditions were reported for most vegetables and small fruit harvest. Some second crop raspberries were in market as well as late season blackberries. Nurseries were also less stressed. Conditions remained dry in north central and north eastern Oregon. The more seasonable temperatures helped bring this area's grain harvest to a close. Most grain producers sprayed for weeds and some fields were also prepared for late September and early October seeding. Some portions of southwestern Oregon reported intensified drought impacts to livestock. Several ranchers reported insufficient water in the creeks to run irrigation pumps. Livestock were moved off pastures due to lack of water in springs and ponds. In Jackson County, some cattle producers sold off cattle earlier than usual. While tough on livestock, the dry and cooler weather was great for ripening wine grapes and tree fruit. The cool nights preserved the acidity in the grapes and brought out the color in both grapes and apples. The warm days ripened fruit at a perfect pace. In southeastern Oregon, Klamath County reported some concern over hollow hearted potatoes due to the weeks of smoke exposure. Garlic yields were reported to be great. Grain harvest and third cutting alfalfa were still underway.

## **Grain Harvest Wrapped Up in Washington**

There were 6.7 days suitable for field work last week. Pasture and range conditions were reported at 25% very poor, 32% poor, 20% fair, and 23% good. A low temperature of 36 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the northeast region, while a high temperature of 94 degrees Fahrenheit was reported in the southeast region. Statewide temperature differentials ranged from 5 degrees below to 3 degrees above normal. Western Washington has cooled off with summer coming to an end. Pastures were brown. Grain and vegetable seed crop harvests started a few weeks ago. Some early planted corn was ready to harvest. Silage corn had drought stress in Snohomish County. Those who have irrigation have been running day and night. Those without have stressed crops with reduced yield. Klickitat and Yakima Counties had better air quality this week, despite nearby forest fires. Harvest was winding down for wheat, barley, oats, and dry beans. Gala apples and hops harvests continued in Yakima. Honeycrisp and Golden apples were coming in. Vegetable production of melons, squashes, tomatoes, and peppers was picking up. The onion crop was curing in the field. Scattered rain dampened some dry bean harvest in Pend Oreille and Spokane Counties. Grain harvest progressed throughout the county. Winter wheat harvest in Lincoln County was completed. Harvest was also wrapped up on the Palouse.

## Soil Moisture Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/02/18

Item and State	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture				
Idaho .....	16	58	26	-
Oregon .....	67	31	2	-
Washington.....	11	57	32	-
Subsoil moisture				
Idaho .....	16	54	30	-
Oregon .....	63	33	4	-
Washington.....	10	49	41	-

- Represents zero.

## Crop Condition — Idaho, Oregon, and Washington: Week Ending 09/02/18

Crop and State	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Potatoes					
Idaho .....	1	1	17	53	28
Oregon .....	-	-	24	64	12
Washington.....	1	4	28	67	-
Corn					
Idaho .....	-	-	16	79	5
Oregon .....	-	1	20	59	20
Washington.....	-	6	16	77	1
Dry edible beans					
Idaho .....	-	4	25	63	8
Washington.....	-	1	16	33	50
Onions					
Idaho .....	-	-	25	75	-
Oregon .....	-	-	20	73	7
Washington.....	-	1	20	79	-
Sugarbeets					
Idaho .....	-	1	16	52	31
Oregon .....	-	-	27	73	-
Washington.....	-	-	50	50	-
Dry edible pea					
Idaho .....	-	4	46	47	3

- Represents zero.

## Weekly Weather Statistics — Idaho: August 28 - September 3, 2018

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
NORTH														
Bonniers Ferry .....	47	80	62	-2	83	-12	0.50	+0.30	1	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
Coeur d' Alene .....	48	80	62	-4	82	-30	0.61	+0.42	2	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Fenn .....	44	88	61	-4	79	-28	1.18	+0.82	2	0.00	-0.10	0	0	
Lewiston .....	51	88	67	-3	128	-14	0.05	-0.13	1	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Nezperce .....	39	80	56	-5	48	-36	0.89	+0.65	3	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
SOUTHWEST														
Boise .....	42	88	63	-8	100	-47	0.13	+0.05	2	0.03	+0.00	100	1	
Emmett .....	41	89	63	-6	90	-42	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Glenns Ferry .....	40	87	65	-4	102	-34	0.00	-0.06	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Grand View .....	38	91	64	-5	98	-35	0.03	-0.03	1	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Nampa .....	44	89	64	-5	106	-26	0.05	-0.01	2	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Parma .....	44	88	66	-3	114	-16	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Fairfield.....	31	85	58	-4	49	-33	0.01	-0.10	1	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Malta.....	31	86	60	-5	62	-47	0.02	-0.18	2	0.01	-0.06	14	1	
Picabo.....	31	86	59	-3	58	-26	0.00	-0.09	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Rupert.....	37	84	60	-4	75	-25	0.01	-0.05	1	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Twin Falls .....	39	83	62	-7	80	-48	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
EAST														
Aberdeen .....	36	87	61	-3	68	-26	0.00	-0.12	0	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Ashton .....	33	83	55	-7	37	-44	0.46	+0.26	1	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Downey.....	31	89	60	-4	62	-36	0.00	-0.31	0	0.00	-0.09	0	0	
Fort Hall .....	32	85	59	-4	54	-38	0.04	-0.13	3	0.01	-0.04	20	1	
Idaho Falls .....	39	84	61	-3	76	-20	0.34	+0.17	1	0.00	-0.06	0	0	
Lava Hot Springs .....	37	99	61	-3	65	-33	0.02	-0.29	2	0.00	-0.09	0	0	
Montevue .....	33	84	56	-7	46	-46	0.07	-0.06	1	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Rexburg .....	28	87	56	-7	41	-45	0.27	+0.01	1	0.00	-0.06	0	0	

## Crop Progress — Idaho: Week Ending 09/02/18

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	73	67	85	82
Winter wheat harvested .....	98	97	98	96
Barley harvested .....	85	81	88	85
Oats harvested .....	86	80	77	83
Potatoes harvested .....	7	5	6	7
Field corn doughed .....	91	88	90	(NA)
Field corn dented .....	78	77	55	(NA)
Field corn mature .....	22	3	4	(NA)
Field corn harvested for silage .....	20	10	3	12
Dry edible beans harvested .....	24	17	44	32
Dry peas harvested .....	96	83	93	92
Onions harvested .....	22	20	13	21
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	74	72	77	68
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting .....	18	5	15	(NA)

(NA) Not available.

## Weekly Weather Statistics — Washington: August 28 - September 3, 2018

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
WEST														
Bellingham.....	48	75	60	-1	89	+14	0.03	-0.33	1	0.00	-0.11	0	0	
Everett.....	48	82	64	+1	98	+6	0.02	-0.30	1	0.00	-0.09	0	0	
Hoquiam.....	47	75	59	-2	74	+2	0.00	-0.43	0	0.00	-0.12	0	0	
Kelso.....	49	86	64	-1	102	-2	0.03	-0.35	3	0.00	-0.11	0	0	
Olympia.....	42	84	59	-4	90	+2	0.00	-0.32	0	0.00	-0.09	0	0	
Sea-Tac.....	53	83	65	+0	116	+14	0.00	-0.26	0	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
Shelton.....	45	85	60	-2	102	+12	0.00	-0.34	0	0.00	-0.10	0	0	
Tacoma.....	50	78	61	-2	92	-4	0.01	-0.32	1	0.00	-0.09	0	0	
Vancouver.....	49	88	67	-1	118	-6	0.05	-0.21	1	0.00	-0.06	0	0	
CENTRAL														
Easton.....	43	75	58	-2	42	-32	0.02	-0.29	1	0.00	-0.10	0	0	
Ellensburg.....	45	86	66	-2	129	+5	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Omak.....	46	82	66	-3	105	-26	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Wenatchee.....	55	87	69	-2	132	-10	0.00	-0.05	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Yakima AP.....	44	87	68	+2	128	+16	0.00	-0.07	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
NORTHEAST														
Chewelah.....	43	80	60	-3	66	-20	0.17	+0.02	2	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Deer Park.....	36	84	59	-3	63	-21	0.18	-0.08	1	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
Kettle Falls.....	43	84	63	-4	96	-24	0.04	-0.22	1	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
Spokane.....	49	81	64	-2	105	-6	0.04	-0.11	1	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
EAST CENTRAL														
Ephrata.....	49	87	69	+0	135	+0	0.00	-0.04	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
George.....	43	86	64	-4	94	-33	0.00	-0.06	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Lind.....	41	84	62	-5	84	-34	0.02	-0.07	1	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Moses Lake.....	45	86	67	-1	121	-6	0.01	-0.05	1	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Ritzville.....	44	88	61	-5	76	-34	0.05	-0.04	1	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
SOUTHEAST														
Lake Bryan Rice.....	46	91	67	+2	124	+18	0.14	-0.02	1	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Pasco.....	46	91	69	-1	131	-4	0.00	-0.08	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Pullman.....	42	84	60	-4	69	-30	0.32	+0.16	2	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Richland.....	50	90	69	-1	132	-2	0.00	-0.08	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Silcott Island.....	50	94	68	+3	134	+28	0.23	+0.07	1	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Walla Walla.....	53	88	69	-1	143	-2	0.06	-0.09	1	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Whitman Mission.....	42	91	65	-2	102	-14	0.25	+0.14	2	0.00	-0.03	0	0	

## Crop Progress — Washington: Week Ending 09/02/18

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested.....	88	71	86	90
Winter wheat planted.....	12	(NA)	4	7
Winter wheat harvested.....	97	94	99	99
Barley harvested.....	90	76	79	89
Oats harvested.....	59	51	68	(NA)
Potatoes harvested.....	25	19	40	41
Field corn doughed.....	76	70	44	69
Field corn dented.....	32	16	14	28
Field corn mature.....	11	-	4	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested.....	55	40	22	41
Dry peas harvested.....	88	81	91	92
Onions harvested.....	50	45	48	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting.....	86	78	78	80
Alfalfa hay 4th cutting.....	30	3	23	23

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

# Weekly Weather Statistics — Oregon: August 28 - September 3, 2018

Weather station	Air temperature				Growing degree days		Last week precipitation			Season cumulative precipitation				
	Low	Hi	AVG	DFN	Base 50		Total inches	DFN	Days	Total inches	DFN	Percent normal	Days	
					Total	DFN								
COASTAL AREAS														
Astoria .....	45	75	58	-2	74	+0	0.06	-0.32	2	0.00	-0.11	0	0	
Bandon .....	49	73	58	-2	56	-6	0.08	-0.10	2	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Florence .....	41	77	56	-3	44	-24	0.32	-0.08	4	0.00	-0.14	0	0	
North Bend.....	48	71	57	-2	61	-2	0.01	-0.20	1	0.00	-0.06	0	0	
Tillamook .....	42	77	60	+1	72	+9	0.17	-0.27	1	0.00	-0.13	0	0	
WILLAMETTE VALLEY														
Aurora.....	47	88	66	-1	116	-2	0.01	-0.24	1	0.00	-0.09	0	0	
Corvallis .....	45	88	65	+0	112	+4	0.00	-0.18	0	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Detroit Lake .....	45	89	62	-3	106	+0	0.42	+0.03	2	0.00	-0.12	0	0	
Eugene .....	49	89	66	+1	125	+17	0.00	-0.21	0	0.00	-0.06	0	0	
Hillsboro.....	43	88	65	+1	112	+12	0.00	-0.19	0	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
McMinnville.....	44	88	64	-1	111	+6	0.00	-0.21	0	0.00	-0.07	0	0	
Portland .....	49	89	68	+0	106	-14	0.02	-0.24	1	0.00	-0.08	0	0	
Salem .....	51	89	67	+1	130	+18	0.00	-0.18	0	0.00	-0.06	0	0	
SOUTHWESTERN VALLEYS														
Grants Pass .....	49	93	68	+0	130	+0	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Medford .....	52	92	72	+1	166	+18	0.00	-0.11	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Roseburg.....	46	93	66	-4	120	-14	0.04	-0.10	2	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
NORTH CENTRAL														
Arlington .....	48	89	69	-2	132	-16	0.11	+0.04	1	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Echo .....	43	93	67	-2	117	-12	0.02	-0.08	1	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Heppner.....	44	87	64	-3	95	-20	0.31	+0.20	1	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Hermiston .....	43	92	66	-2	114	-15	0.02	-0.08	1	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Madras.....	40	87	62	-3	82	-22	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Moro .....	42	85	62	-3	87	-19	0.00	-0.08	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Parkdale .....	39	84	62	+0	84	-2	0.00	-0.15	0	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
Pendleton .....	43	90	65	-4	102	-28	0.11	-0.04	2	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Prairie City .....	33	85	57	-8	46	-58	0.10	-0.04	2	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
The Dalles .....	50	89	70	+0	147	+10	0.00	-0.09	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
SOUTH CENTRAL														
Agency Lake .....	42	86	62	+2	90	+20	0.00	-0.11	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Bend .....	39	86	60	+0	76	+0	0.00	-0.11	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Burns .....	30	87	58	-3	56	-24	0.00	-0.09	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Christmas Valley .....	28	87	57	-3	50	-22	0.00	-0.12	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Klamath Falls .....	38	86	63	-4	83	-33	0.05	-0.05	4	0.03	+0.00	100	2	
Lakeview.....	34	84	60	-3	65	-28	0.00	-0.08	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Lorella.....	34	86	60	-2	65	-23	0.00	-0.13	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Redmond.....	35	88	62	+1	83	+0	0.00	-0.12	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
Worden.....	33	86	58	-8	58	-58	0.00	-0.10	0	0.00	-0.03	0	0	
NORTHEAST														
Baker City .....	34	87	61	+0	89	+10	0.00	-0.17	0	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
Imbler.....	34	88	60	-3	62	-28	0.06	-0.12	1	0.00	-0.05	0	0	
La Grande.....	42	90	64	-1	101	-9	0.23	+0.05	2	0.00	-0.04	0	0	
SOUTHEAST														
Ontario.....	44	90	67	-2	124	-8	0.00	-0.06	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	
Rome.....	35	91	63	-3	106	-10	0.00	-0.08	0	0.00	-0.02	0	0	

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data.  
Season cumulative precipitation starts: September 1.  
DFN = Departure from normal.  
NA = Data not available.

Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches.  
Precipitation days= Days with precipitation of 0.01 inch or more.  
Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.  
Normals period 1981-2010 used in DFN calculations.

## Crop Progress — Oregon: Week Ending 09/02/18

Crop and activity	Percent completed			
	This week	Last week	Last year	5 Year average
Spring wheat harvested .....	93	86	93	96
Winter wheat planted .....	1	(NA)	-	-
Barley harvested.....	81	78	86	93
Oats harvested .....	88	75	84	(NA)
Potatoes harvested.....	40	38	33	(NA)
Dry edible beans harvested .....	50	49	26	(NA)
Onions harvested .....	15	11	12	(NA)
Alfalfa hay 3rd cutting .....	62	51	69	70

- Represents zero.

(NA) Not available.

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